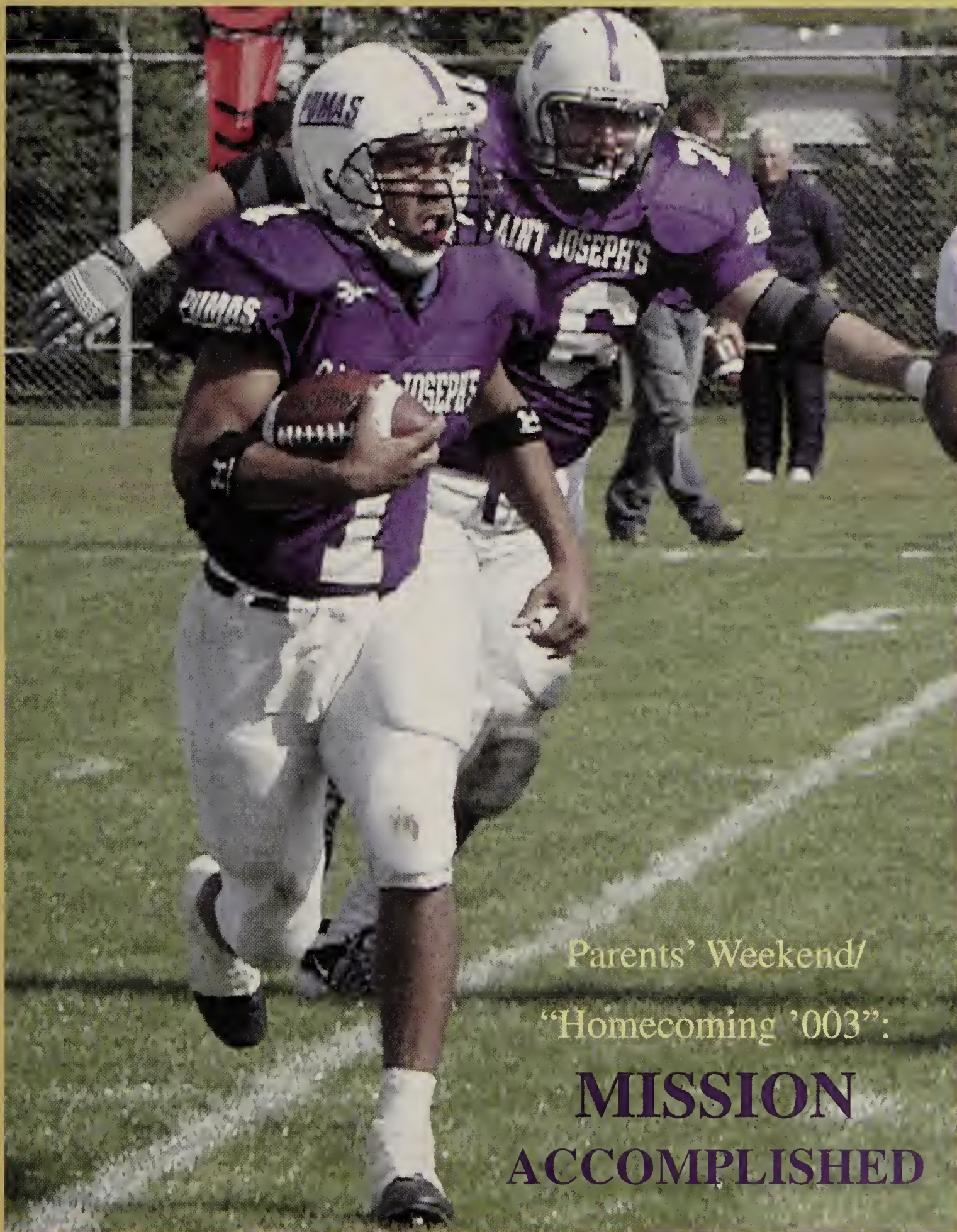


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— excerpted from the mission statement of Saint Joseph's College

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Kirk Emond, Sports Editor for the  
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**On the Cover:** SJC Quarterback Nate Durant '07 (#1) and Offensive Lineman Nick Bizila '04 (#76) head upfield during the third quarter of the College's Homecoming game against Kentucky Wesleyan College, which SJC won 57-21. The football game was just one of the many 'missions' accomplished during Parents' Weekend/ "Homecoming '003."

See story on pages 12-14.

*From the Alumni Association Board President*

Homecoming – “Coming Home” – is a simple idea with a variety of meanings attached to it. For alumni, it means visiting with old friends; making new friends; celebrating memories; making amends; and honoring age-old traditions that never seem to fade. For Saint Joseph’s College, the idea is simpler: welcoming back to campus those individuals responsible for its growth. All of those elements came to life on a beautiful fall weekend in October when SJC’s annual Homecoming Weekend took place.



Personally, it was a renewed pleasure to many Pumas with graying hair suddenly finding their youth again. The warm handshakes and enthusiastic conversation shared with old friends and faculty are experiences that I will not soon forget. I will also not forget the story of one man who almost didn’t “come home.”

On Friday evening, I had the opportunity to attend the Honor Class Reunion Dinner for those alumni celebrating milestone anniversaries, and I visited with one alumnus who admitted this visit was his first since graduation day 45 years ago. Something or someone had left a negative impression on him, and he had made a promise to himself never to return. Over a glass of wine, he admitted to me that his bitterness was a long-faded memory most likely without merit, and the warm welcome he received from SJC caused him to regret his conviction to stay away. He expressed how glad he was that he had returned to campus and visited with the classmates and priests that he had associated with so many years ago, and he vowed to return to SJC as often as possible, for as many years as God would let him.

Take this alumnus’s story and hold its message to your heart. If you haven’t found time to make the trip, I encourage you to visit campus to see the old and the new. While some things change with time, the Saint Joseph’s College spirit remains the same. All we need for a “Homecoming” is you!

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Stephen M. Lyden". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Class of 1962



# Alumni

## Upcoming Events:

**December 7**  
Discover Day for  
Prospective Students

**January 24**  
Discover Day

**January 31 and February 7**  
Presidential Scholarship  
Competition

**February 15-16**  
Overnight Program for  
Prospective Students

**March 5-13**  
Trip to Rome

**March 13**  
Chicago St. Patrick's  
Day Parade

**March 21-April 4**  
Spring Phonathon

**April 16**  
President's Senior Dinner

**April 17**  
Sports Hall of Fame  
Induction Ceremony

**April 24**  
Little 500

**April 30**  
Scholarship Dinner (Chicago)  
Board of Trustees Meeting

**May 9**  
Commencement

**July 23-31**  
Trip to London

## THANK YOU!

SJC extends a warm thank you to those alumni who attended the number of prospective student receptions coordinated by the Office of Admissions and the Office of Alumni and Parent Relations. The College would especially like to recognize those who served as hosts for receptions:

### INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA:

**Timothy '60 and Mary Ann Downey**

**John '84 and Jennifer Gause**

**Shawn '94 and Bonnie Hurst**

**Jack and Kathleen Whelan**

**Philip Wilhelm '63**



Sisters **Kris (Costa) Sakelaris '82**, **Kara (Costa) Meyer '93**, and **Kelli (Costa) Lucito '90**

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**Ken '94 and Danielle (Thorndyke) Benich '93**

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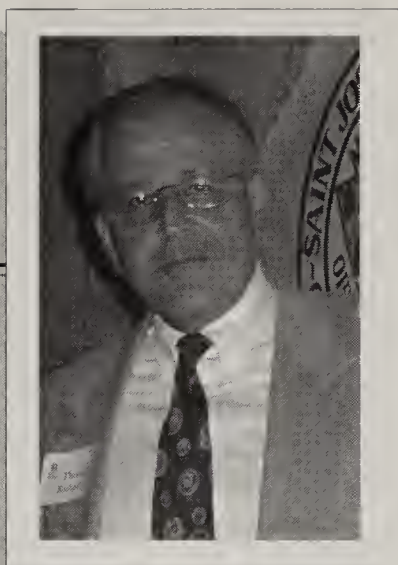
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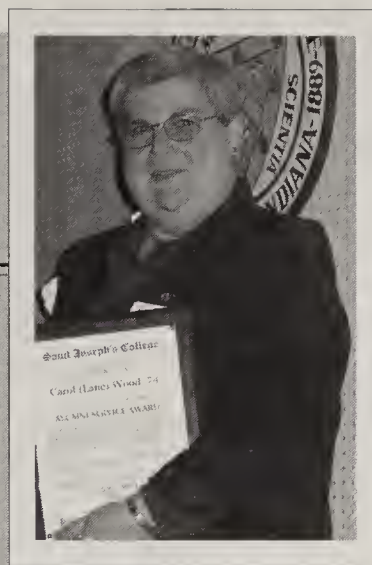
### ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI:

**Mike '96 and Jackie (Leonard) Tackett '95**

Thomas Kuhar '64



Carol (Lane) Wood '74



## SJC Alumni Honored with Service Awards During Homecoming/Parents' Weekend

The SJC Alumni Association took time over the activity-packed Homecoming/Parents' Weekend to honor two Pumas with Alumni Service Awards. **Carol (Lane) Wood '74** and **Thomas Kuhar '64**, both members of SJC's Board of Trustees, are the 2003 recipients of this award.

"The Alumni Service Award honors alumni for their various achievements and contributions to both the College and their communities," said Alumni and Parent Relations Director Kendra Berenda. "Carol and Tom are wonderful examples of people who have given the word 'involvement' a deeper meaning."

A Certified Public Accountant, Kuhar received his bachelor's degree in Accounting from SJC in 1964 and is currently the Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Pri Mar Petroleum, Inc. in St. Joseph, Michigan. Active in civic affairs in the vicinity of South Bend, he has served as President of the board of Goodwill Industries of Michiana, Inc., President of the Notre Dame Quarterback Club, President for a South Bend chapter of Habitat For Humanity, and President of Junior Achievement of Michiana, Inc. He holds memberships with the American Institute of CPAs and Indiana Society of CPAs. In addition to being a former President and Treasurer of SJC's Alumni Association and former

member of the College's National Advisory Council, he and his wife, Donna, have two sons, Thomas and Andrew, who are 1988 and 1991 graduates of Saint Joseph's College (respectively). His younger brother, Tim, graduated from SJC in 1977.

A Rensselaer native, Wood received her bachelor's degree in Mathematics from SJC in 1974 and a master's degree in Mathematics from Ball State

University in 1975. Presently a Computer Services Manager for the Department of Agricultural Economics at Purdue University, Wood is a member of the College's Major Gifts Committee and Council of Fellows, and she has also been involved with beautification efforts for the Lourdes Grotto, a project that was unveiled by the Council of Fellows in December 2002. A former Alumni Association Board member, Wood resides in

Rensselaer with her husband, Harvey, and is active in several local organizations, including the St. Augustine Catholic Church Bazaar Committee, Mt. Calvary Cemetery Board, Bishop Dwenger Council, Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary, and the General Van Rensselaer chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution. She also serves on the board of directors for The Gibault Foundation, Inc., a residential treatment facility for children and adolescents, for its Terre Haute location.

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# Alumni

As young girls in grade school, twin sisters **Dani '03** and **Darci Ramirez '03** remember what it was like taking dance lessons together for almost fifteen years in their native city of Highland, Indiana. Despite not being identical twins, teachers and children alike had a difficult time telling them apart. "The entire time, we were called by one name: 'DaniDarci.' Even if just one of us attended class, we were addressed by that one name," Dani said. "Even now, sometimes we are just known as 'the twins.'"

In light of these situations, one might be surprised to learn that "the twins" decided to attend the same college. However, Saint Joseph's College was appealing to Dani and Darci for a number of reasons. For Dani, it was the small class sizes that drew her in. For Darci, the appeal was in beginning her major as early as freshman year. And as both girls participated in cross country and track in high school, they were both equally interested in SJC's athletic programs. "Going off to college together was not something that we sat down and planned. We both researched different colleges and were most impressed by what SJC had to offer, but after the decision was made, we were both relieved," Darci explained. "Going to school together definitely made the transition of leaving home much easier than it would have been if we would have gone to different schools. It



## PUMA SPOTLIGHT:

**Dani '03 and Darci  
Ramirez '03**

was also nice that we didn't have to adjust to living with a complete stranger."

At SJC, Dani and Darci were involved in a variety of activities – sometimes together, and at other times, separately – and they believe having both of those experiences helped them to grow closer to each other. "At SJC, we became individuals," Dani said. "Although we both ran cross country

and track and were members of Diversity Coalition, we chose different majors and some other extracurricular activities. We now know that we can still be extremely close even while doing our own thing."

This past May, each sister walked across the stage during SJC's Commencement ceremony to receive her diploma. Darci's Physical Education degree landed her a job as a Technician with Advanced Physical Therapy in Hammond, while Dani's Social Work degree paved the way for her job as a Parent Educator with Parents As Teachers, an international early childhood parent education and family support program, also in Hammond. Both have plans to attend graduate school in their fields and also have no regrets about sharing their college experiences with each other. "Being a twin means you're lucky enough to have a built-in best friend," Darci explained. "She'll always love you. She'll never leave you. She'll always remember your birthday. No matter what."

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#### Alumni Association Offers

## Stepping Stones Memorabilia

In September, the Saint Joseph's College Alumni Association began a stepping stones collectible memorabilia sale. The stones feature an etched drawing of the Saint Joseph's Chapel and are suitable for either inside or outside use and can also serve as wall hangings. Stones are available in two different shades of grey for \$20 a piece. All proceeds benefit the programs sponsored by the Alumni Association.

For more information, contact Alumni and Parent Relations Director Kendra Berenda at 800-227-1898.





It's common for those beginning college to tackle an array of emotions: excitement, sadness, nervousness, etc. However, whatever the members of SJC's Class of 2007 were feeling, there was one emotion they never had time to experience – boredom. Arriving on campus four days earlier than returning students, incoming freshmen received a warm welcome from the College community, a welcome that included activities like volunteer Puma Movers handling students' luggage, a specially-prepared lunch hot off the grill, welcome Mass, Puma Olympics, campus-wide scavenger hunt, picnic with professors, and bonfire gathering at Lake Banet.



Sean Belt '07 slides his way through an obstacle course during SJC's Puma Olympics

## SJC's Class of 2007 **JUMPS** Into College Life

The welcome continued with the College's Academic Convocation on August 27th. Multiple speakers encouraged students to live the year's motto, "Begin a New Beginning," and special guest speaker **David Owens '75**, Board of Trustees Member and both Multicultural Affairs Director and Professor of Economics at the American University in

Washington, D.C., encouraged them to step outside of their comfort zones in their time at SJC. He also reminded students to continue their relationships with their families and remain aware of the roots they have in their hometowns, while also encouraging them to make the most of their time on campus. "SJC is a wonderful beginning to an educational journey," Owens said.

## SJC Alpha Lambda Delta Chapter Receives National Award

SJC's chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta (ALD), an honor society for first-year college students, recently received the National Council's Silver Award. This award was presented to ALD for its significant **24%** increase in membership for the Class of 2005.

"This is a sign of hard work and dedication on behalf of students," said Assistant Professor of Communication, Alpha Lambda Delta Advisor, and Dean of Freshmen Heidi Rahe. "We have a number of students who have achieved and are being recognized for high academic achievement in their first year of college."

With an increase in membership, ALD, which acts primarily as a service organization, has the human resources to become more involved with community projects and programs.



Since the beginning of the fall semester, SJC's Pumas have been on the move, and not just in the area of academics. In the last three months, students have both participated in and organized a variety of volunteer programs for individuals and groups both on and off campus, throughout Indiana, and in other states. According to Director of Campus Ministry Ary Nelson, the high level of student involvement in volunteer organizations is not unusual at SJC. "The volunteer groups on campus offer students a different learning environment, one that teaches lessons about life and helping others," she explained. "These groups give students a chance to work in communities both inside and outside of SJC and do work that makes a difference in people's lives."

One of the busiest groups on campus is Volunteer Corps, which offered its services on September 21st at the soup kitchen of St. Victor Church in Calumet City, Illinois. Sixteen student volunteers served food to and visited with hungry community members. Nelson and five of those students prepared a meal of spaghetti and meatballs (made from scratch), green beans and fruit salad with whipped cream for dessert, and brought along milk, coffee, and lemonade. Volunteer Corps President and SJC junior Music major Erin Diener has been involved with the annual trip for the last three years and returns each time with a sense of personal fulfillment. "Every time I help others less fortunate, I feel I receive just as much, if not more, out of the situation than they do," she said.

In addition to the soup kitchen trip, they were

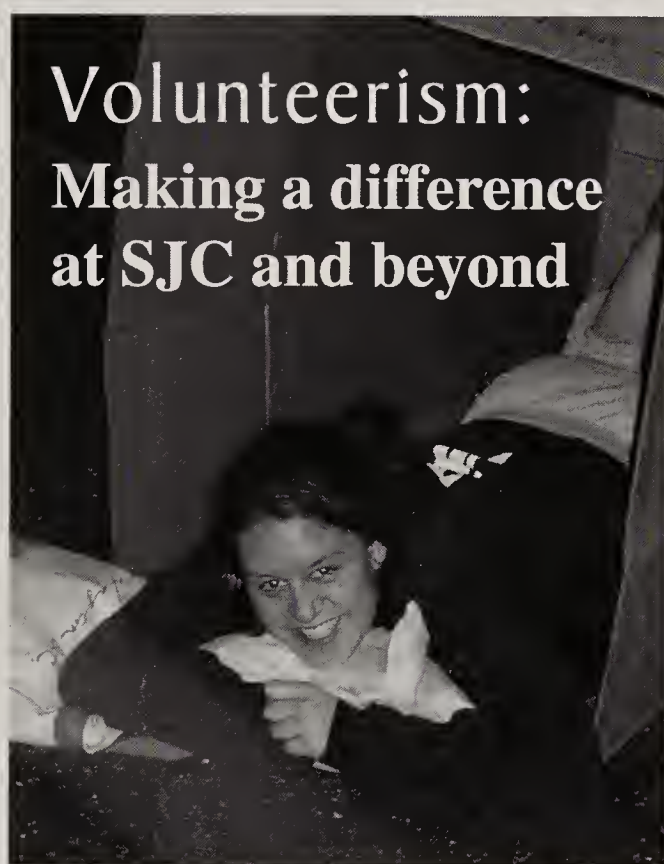
also in charge of the annual "Rake and Run," a three-week event in October and November during which Corps members visited homes in the Rensselaer community and raked leaves in the yards of individuals unable to do so.

Another group without a lack of projects is Habitat For Humanity, a Christian-based housing ministry. The group held the sixth annual "Shack City" on October 21st, an event where students sleep outside on the College's intramural sports field in cardboard boxes in order to raise funds

and awareness about substandard housing in the United States. The organization is currently preparing for their annual spring break trip, where they'll roll up their sleeves and pull out their hammers to work on houses in North Carolina.

Student organizations aren't the only ones jumping on the volunteer bandwagon; in order to meet a community-service requirement for SJC's Freshman Seminar Program, every member of the freshman

class participates in a volunteer project either on or off campus. A number of groups have chosen to focus their efforts on the Grotto Beautification Project, raking leaves, pulling weeds, and performing other labor-intensive tasks. Additional programs include supervising children's activities at Jasper County Youth Center and creating homemade coloring books for patients at Riley Children's Hospital in Indianapolis. Nelson is proud of the efforts of the students to help others and support the College's mission. "We are the hands and feet of Christ," she said.



Elizabeth Wissel '07 camps out in her new home during "Shack City"

## Volunteerism: Making a difference at SJC and beyond



# BIGGER, BETTER,

## White Water Rafting 2003

This year, 16 Pumas braved the Class V rapids of the Upper Gauley River in Hico, West Virginia. Some were rafting "veterans"; others were braving the waters for the first time. However, *everyone* had the experience of a lifetime.

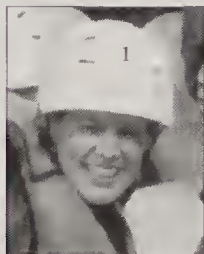


"I thought this year's trip was much more adventurous. I was ready for some more extreme rafting, and that's definitely what I got! It was a better ride and a lot more fun. My favorite highlights were the rock jumping and riding in the four-man raft on the second day, which really gave us a run for our money. At one point, the raft flipped, and one alumnus was forced to swim through the rest of the rapid!"

— David Ziese, Fellow

"This year's trip was much more technical, and the heavy rains of the summer caused the river to be running twice as fast as usual. My favorite part of every rapid was the dropping point. Paddling to the top of a huge wave, then looking over the front of the raft to see a 10-to-15 feet drop into a huge swirl of white water is a rush like nothing I've ever experienced."

— Kendra Berenda,  
Alumni and Parent Relations Director



"I had an amazing time! The Gauley River was so much more intense than the New River — you really had to work hard to stay in your raft! Riding the waves in a four-man raft on the second day was my favorite. I felt like I was going down the rushing river in a tiny paper cup!"

— Susan Kramer '05

(Left side)  
Charlie Illingworth,  
**Julie (Delaney)**  
**McWhirter '90,**  
Susan Kramer '05,  
Kirk Ziese  
(Right side) Judy  
Illingworth, Fellow  
David Ziese, Alumni  
and Parent Relations  
Director Kendra  
Berenda, and Tony  
McWhirter



# WETTER, WILDER!



"Last year's trip on the New River was great, but in no way did it prepare me for the rapids we faced this year on the Upper Gauley. As we paddled into each rapid, I remember bracing myself into the boat as hard as I could, glancing at my sister, Samantha, and boyfriend, Luke, to make sure they were still on board, and paddling as if my life depended on it. It was wonderful!"

– **Breain Ma'Ayteh '02**

"My husband, Tony, and I took this trip for our wedding anniversary, and it was one of the most fun mini-vacations that we've ever had. My favorite part of the trip was 'raft surfing,' when we deliberately rafted into one of the tamer rapids – I was standing in the boat holding on to the side but barely touching the bottom of it with my feet!"

– **Julie (Delaney) McWhirter '90**



"This trip gave me the biggest thrill of my life! It was so exciting paddling through the rapids as the waves slammed against the raft. I kept thinking, "Dear God, please let me stay in the raft, please don't let me get swept away with the current or hit my head on a rock!"

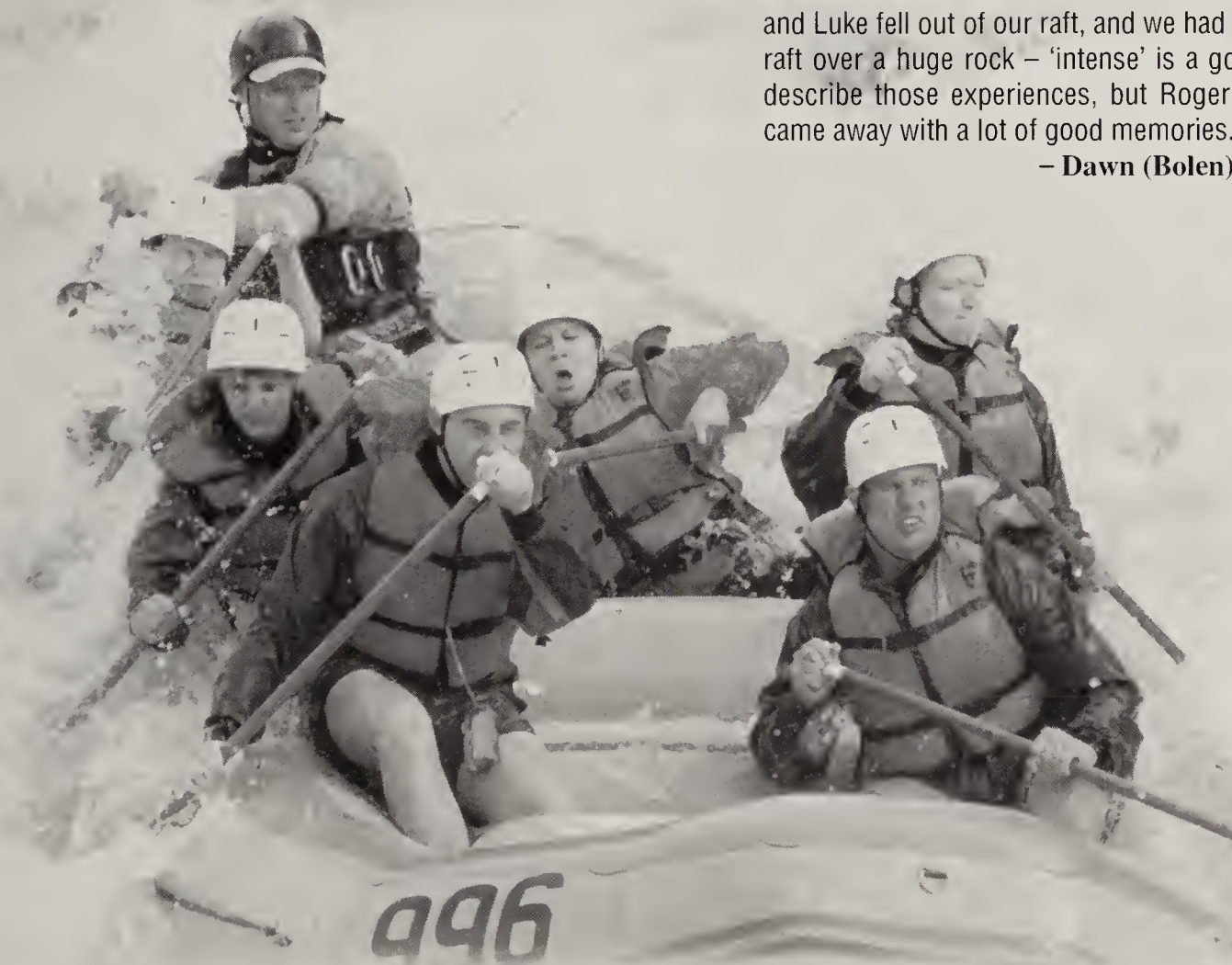
– **Samantha Ma'Ayteh '04**



"My husband, Roger, and I had a blast! Rafting was something that neither one of us had done but always wanted to try. It was exciting and challenging, and a little scary at times.

On the second day, Roger and Luke fell out of our raft, and we had to carry our raft over a huge rock – 'intense' is a good word to describe those experiences, but Roger and I both came away with a lot of good memories."

– **Dawn (Bolen) Foster '92**



(Left side)  
Tour Guide Wes,  
**Breain Ma'Ayteh '02**,  
**Julie McWhirter '90**,  
Luke Dunscombe  
(Right side) Samantha  
Ma'Ayteh '04, Roger and  
**Dawn (Bolen) Foster '92**



Parents' Weekend  
and "Homecoming '003":

# Mission Accomplished

For the weekend of October 3rd, both Puma pride and James Bond were in the air as SJC alumni, parents, and friends took advantage of the variety of activities revolving around Parents' Weekend and "Homecoming '003," including: a 5K Fun Run/Walk; alumni/student baseball game; children's art tent; presentation about the state of SJC by President Ernest Mills III; outdoor tour of Drexel Hall; Alpha Lambda Delta honor society induction; home football game against Kentucky Wesleyan College (which SJC won 57-21); an alumni awards ceremony; and special casino-style reunion gathering. The Pumas' mission for enjoyment remained uncompromised.

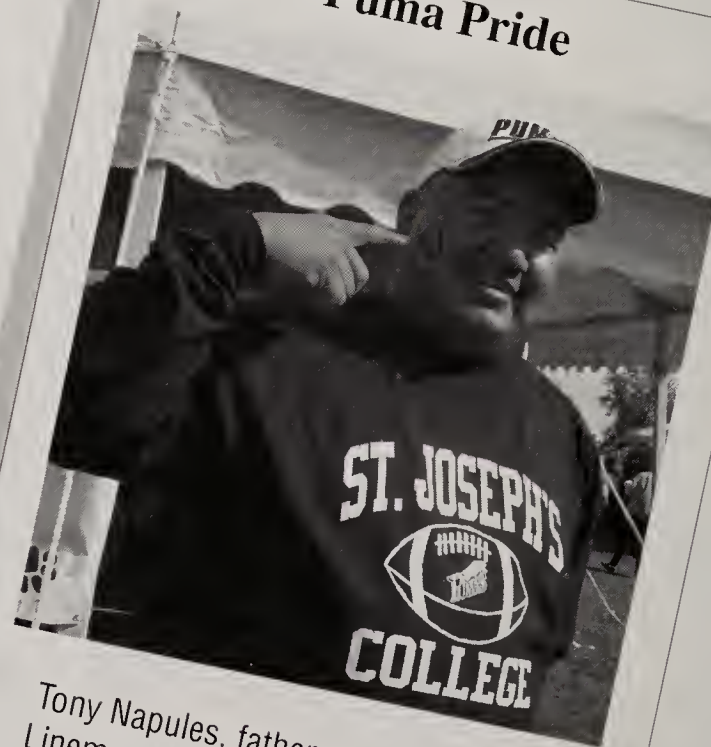
## Drexel Hall Outdoor Tour



An interested attendee speaks about St. Katharine Drexel and the history of Drexel Hall with **Rev. Leonard Kostka, C.P.P.S.** after the tour

"I'm often asked  
and I say it's because  
school has been a  
back just

## Puma Pride



Tony Napules, father of SJC Offensive Lineman Michael Napules '07, proudly displays his son's jersey number (60) on his cheek





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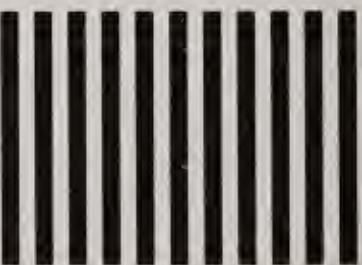
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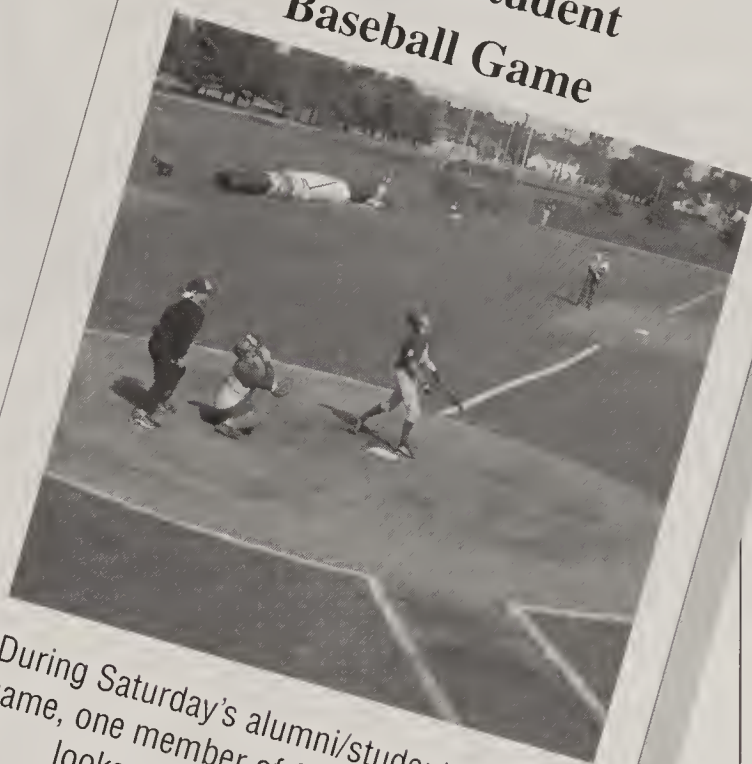


## All in the Family



Elizabeth Klocek '06, niece Dottie Hicks, **Pete Klocek '73**, and Dottie's father **Andrew Hicks '98** gather for a picture

## Alumni/Student Baseball Game



During Saturday's alumni/student baseball game, one member of SJC's baseball team looks to the sky to find his ball

...y I'm so involved with Saint Joseph's College.  
...e I love this College and what it stands for. This  
...part of my life, and I'm so glad to be able to give  
...le of what this College has given to me."

– **Thomas Kuhar '64**,  
Alumni Service Award recipient

## Children's Art Tent



Associate Professor of Art **Bonnie Zimmer** teaches one of the children in the art tent how to make a tie-dyed tee shirt

## Hats Off to the Chefs



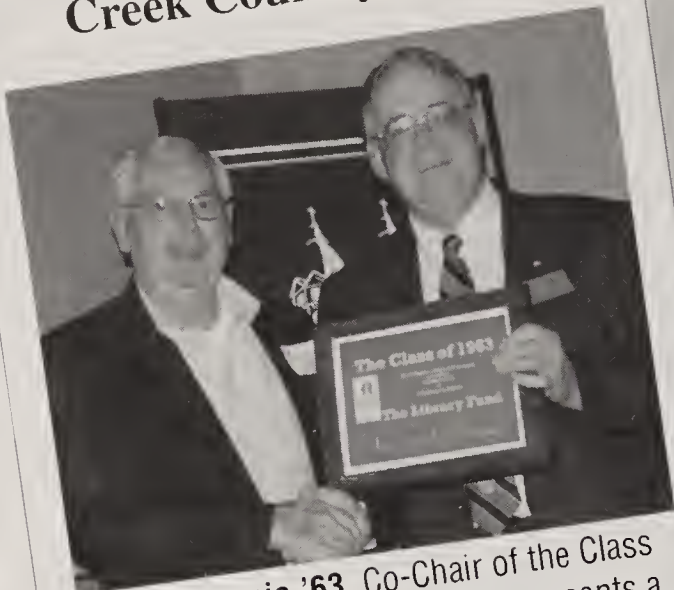
Alumni Association Board members **Jim Deegan '59** and **Mike Vallone '60** prepare brats for hungry Pumas

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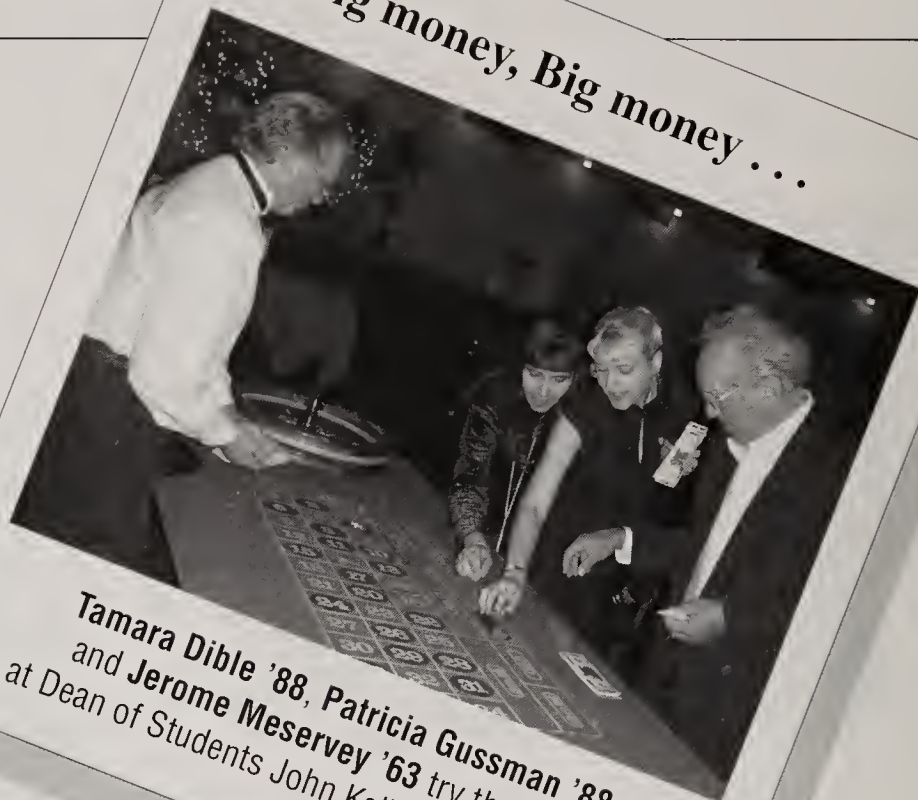


## Reunion Dinner at Curtis Creek Country Club



**Dick Renspie '63**, Co-Chair of the Class of 1963 Library Fund Project, presents a plaque to President Ernest Mills III signifying their success in raising \$200,000 for the Robinson Memorial Library  
(Not pictured: Co-Chair **Philip Wilhelm '63**)

## Big money, Big money . . .



**Tamara Dible '88**, **Patricia Gussman '88**, and **Jerome Mesurvey '63** try their luck at Dean of Students John Keller's roulette wheel

"We've been able to make

tremendous improvements to our

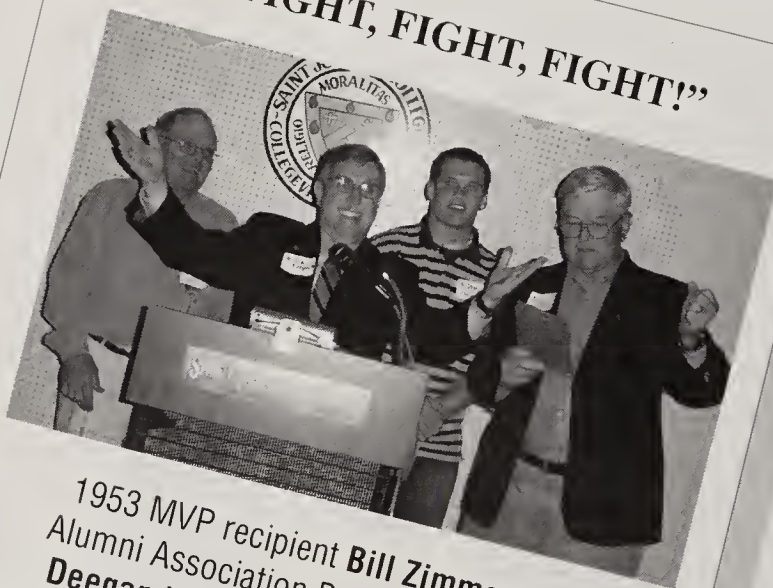
campus because of class gifts: the **Michael J.**

**Vallone '60** Track and Field Complex, the new entranceway funded by the Class of 1961 and the new flag plaza by the Class of 1956, and new library resources funded by the Class of 1963. We are a fortunate and blessed college to have alumni who are so supportive of what we do."

— President Ernest Mills III,

"Reflections"

## "FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT!"



1953 MVP recipient **Bill Zimmer '54**; Alumni Association Board member **Jim Deegan '59**; 2003 MVP recipient **Stan Mucenski '04**; and first-ever MVP 1952 recipient **Roland Meinert '53** lead alumni in singing the Puma Fight Song after the "Casino Royale" alumni reunion dinner

## 21!



**Mary Ann (Feldhaus) Rybicki '73** delights in her winnings at Assistant Professor of Communication **Sally Nesselrode's** blackjack table, as **Donna** and **Thomas Kuhar '64** look on





Back: **Rev. Paul White, C.P.P.S. '54**, **Bro. Tim Hemm, C.P.P.S. '70**, **Bro. Rob Reuter, C.P.P.S.**, **Rev. William Eilerman, C.P.P.S. '47**, **Rev. William Stang, C.P.P.S. '72**, **Rev. Phil Gilbert, C.P.P.S. '52**, **Rev. Angelo Anthony, C.P.P.S. '84**, **Rev. Timothy McFarland, C.P.P.S. '78**, and **Rev. Kenneth Schnipke, C.P.P.S. '84** Front: **Rev. Leonard Kostka, C.P.P.S. '35**, **Rev. Dominic Gerlach, C.P.P.S. '46**, **Rev. Edward McCarthy, C.P.P.S. '35**, and **Rev. Lawrence Heiman, C.P.P.S. '40**

## The Founder's Fund Raises Over \$111,000 for SJC Endowment

Since its unveiling last June, **\$111,579** has been raised for The Founder's Fund, a fund designed to honor and memorialize the College's founder, the Missionaries of the Precious Blood, and build an endowment through which academic scholarships can be awarded to future students of SJC.

At the second annual Banquet held on August 16th, President Ernest Mills III commented about the worthiness of The Founder's Fund's mission. "The legacy the

Missionaries of the Precious Blood brought to SJC is one worth passing on. The Founder's Fund not only continues that legacy, it serves as a thank you to those who dedicated their lives to making SJC what it is today," he said.

## Heiman and White Celebrate Ordination Anniversaries With the C.P.P.S.

On October 21st, the Feast Day of C.P.P.S. Founder St. Gaspar del Bufalo, **Rev. Paul White, C.P.P.S. '54** and **Rev. Lawrence Heiman, C.P.P.S. '40** celebrated special ordination anniversaries with the Missionaries of the Precious Blood. White was recognized for 50 years of service to the C.P.P.S., while Heiman was honored for 60.

Since his arrival in the early fifties, White has served SJC as a priest, professor, and administrator. In addition to teaching courses in Economics and Religion at SJC, he has also held the positions of Business Manager, Parents Association Moderator, Executive Vice President, Alumni Director, and Director of Campaigns. Today, White is the Administrator for two parishes in Francesville and Medaryville, Indiana.

Heiman holds both a master's degree in Gregorian Chant and a doctorate in Sacred Music from the Pontifical Institute of Sacred Music in Rome, one of only a handful of people in the United States to hold a doctorate from there. In 1960, he founded the Rensselaer Program of Church Music and Liturgy, which he directed for 35 summers, and in 1998, he began the Gregorian Chant Institute, a one-week program which takes place before SJC's summer session. Today, Heiman continues to serve as Director of the Institute.

Both White and Heiman reside at SJC.



# MY SUMMER

For many students, summer vacation plans include Frisbee on the beach. However, for SJC Pumas, those opportunities to network with prospective employers are often obtained in the classroom. Read on to learn about their summer breaking into the fields of



Bridget Newman '04

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– Chicago International  
Children's Film Festival (CICFF)

With the lights on and camera ready, Mass Communication senior Bridget Newman completed an internship with the non-profit organization Chicago International Children's Film Festival (CICFF), where she spent three months as the Media Education Coordinator. Recognized by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences as an Academy-qualifying festival, CICFF is the largest festival of its kind in the world and the only one of its kind in North America.

Through this internship, Newman co-coordinated several events, including auditions for the Giffoni Film Festival and the Young Chicago Critics Program. She received the chance to use the skills she mastered working for SJC's TV-6 News as she cued tapes and photographed and filmed interviews with young actors. The writing skills she developed by serving as Co-Editor in Chief, Sports Editor, and Reporter for *The Observer* (SJC's campus newspaper) also came into play as she wrote grant proposals, completed applications for funding, and reviewed and rated several films.

CICFF's fast-paced atmosphere gave Newman a taste of the brutal work force. "Almost everything I worked on had a deadline. You learn very quickly that there is no such thing as a late grade," she explained. "Program dates couldn't be changed simply because 'Bridget didn't have things ready in time.'"

However, sometimes being "efficient" had nothing to do with writing proposals or taping interviews. "At the very end of the summer, we learned that one of our kids ran away from home. It was amazing to see our staff, the kids, the parents, the workers at Facets, and local businesses all pull together to help this one mother find her daughter," she said. "The power of communication meant a lot more to me after that experience. To be able to contact people and articulate to them what it is you need in real-life situations is priceless."

The experience Newman received at CICFF played a factor in her recent decision to pursue graduate studies in Business Administration after graduating from SJC. "Albert Einstein said, 'The more I learn, the more I realize I don't know.' That statement hit home for me after the internship," she said. "I realized for the first time what a wide world we live in, and I knew that I had more to learn, see, and do before I could enter it. As a Puma, I've received an education that has given direction to my life. Now, I'm ready to further my knowledge and define more clearly where I want to go."



# VACATION

aking road trips, lying out in the sun, and playing three months away from school provided them with and gain specific hands-on experience that can't the internship experiences of two students who spent class communication and computer science.

## Kenny Shumard '04 – National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

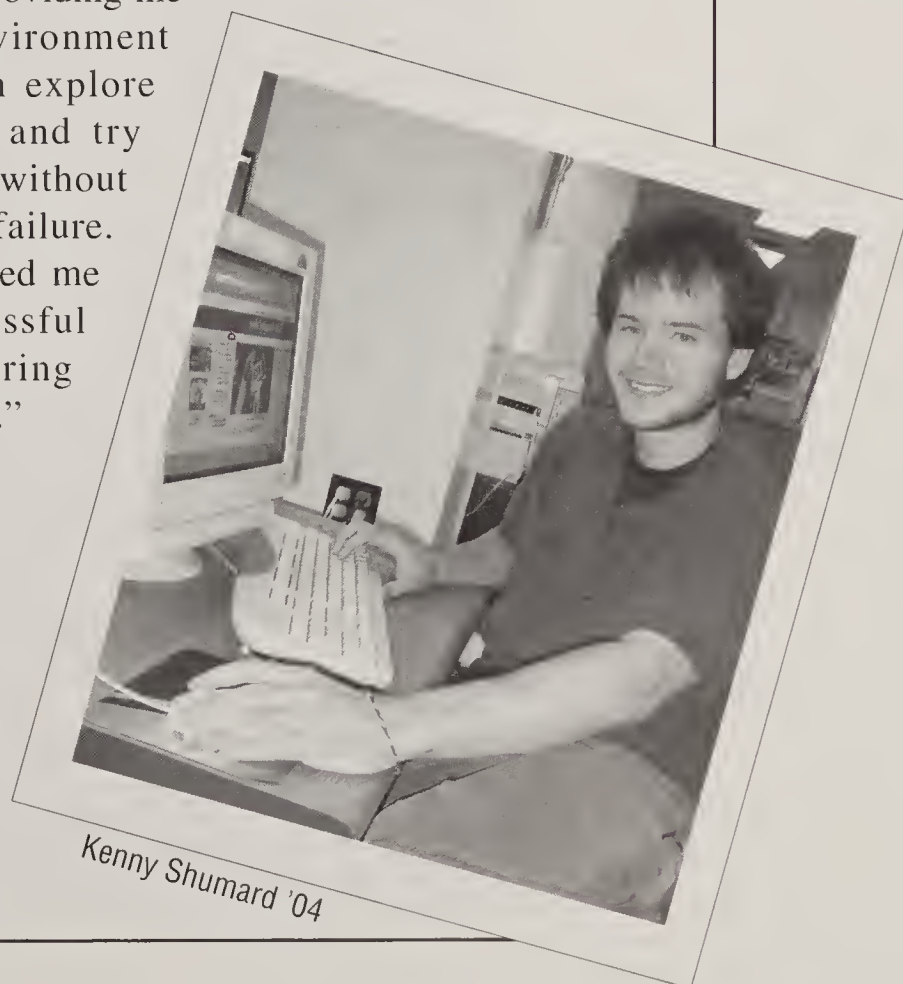
The phrase “computer applications” has a double meaning for senior Computer Science and Mathematics double major Kenny Shumard, as he recently completed an internship with NASA's Stennis Space Center in Mississippi. For several months, he rewrote operating code for an in-house sensor network center, looked at existing code and translated it into different programming languages, and was challenged to increase the overall efficiency of NASA's sensor network system.

Shumard took his experiences from SJC, which include being President of the Computer Club, a Tutor for the Computer Science and Mathematics Departments, President of the Student Association, and founder of “Techies,” a group that offers computer support to students on campus, and applied them to his position on the NASA team and his new role in the “nine-to-five” world. “There was no formal training period. From day one I was doing pertinent work and given a lot of independence, something I didn't expect,” he explained. “Once I became familiar with the requirements of my project, I was given even more freedom to make technical decisions and follow them through. For one three-week period of the summer, my mentor was even on vacation in Brazil!”

While adjusting to his new responsibilities, he also became acquainted with the nature of government work. “I had never worked closely with the government before, and it was interesting because there was a completely different mentality,” he said. “At SJC, the focus is on academics and personal growth. With NASA, the focus is on science and innovation. The people I worked with, from the Center Director to the other interns who were my peers, were saying, ‘I have an idea’ or ‘Let's try this instead.’ And if it worked well or improved some process or product somehow, that idea was easily adopted.”

For Shumard, working side by side with doctors and experts in the computer science field encouraged him to use his SJC education beyond an academic setting. “I gained experience working on a software project that wasn't in existence simply for me to earn a good grade in class. It actually had to accomplish something once I completed it,” he said.

Though his plans for the future are uncertain at this point (he can't decide between attending graduate school or joining AmeriCorps), Shumard believes the lessons he learned from his internship with NASA will come in handy for whatever path he takes. “My internship really worked out well for me. NASA was a positive environment, very conducive to both my formal education at SJC and my ability to express my own ideas. SJC helped to make that happen by providing me with an environment where I can explore boundaries and try new things without the fear of failure. That's allowed me to be successful when exploring new avenues.”



Kenny Shumard '04





## SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE WINTER SCHEDULES

*All Home Games are Listed in Bold*

### 2003-04 MEN'S BASKETBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
11/15	Drury University	2:00 p.m.
<b>11/22</b>	<b>Lake Superior State University</b>	<b>3:15 p.m.</b>
11/25	Tiffin University	8:00 p.m.
<b>11/29</b>	<b><i>Southern Illinois University -Edwardsville</i></b>	<b>3:15 p.m.</b>
<b>12/1</b>	<b><i>Lewis University</i></b>	<b>7:45 p.m.</b>
<b>12/6</b>	<b><i>University of Indianapolis</i></b>	<b>3:15 p.m.</b>
<b>12/18</b>	<b>Goshen College</b>	<b>7:30 p.m.</b>
<b>12/22</b>	<b>Grand Valley State University</b>	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>
12/28	*Lincoln Memorial University	6:00 p.m.
12/29	*Slippery Rock or Ashland University	TBA
1/2	<i>Bellarmino University</i>	7:30 p.m.
1/4	<i>Kentucky Wesleyan College</i>	3:15 p.m.
<b>1/8</b>	<b><i>University of Missouri-St. Louis</i></b>	<b>7:45 p.m.</b>
<b>1/10</b>	<b><i>Quincy University</i></b>	<b>3:15 p.m.</b>
1/15	<i>Lewis University</i>	7:30 p.m.
1/17	<i>University of Wisconsin-Parkside</i>	3:15 p.m.
1/22	<i>University of Indianapolis</i>	7:30 p.m.
1/24	<i>Northern Kentucky University</i>	3:15 p.m.
<b>1/29</b>	<b><i>Kentucky Wesleyan College</i></b>	<b>7:45 p.m.</b>
<b>1/31</b>	<b><i>University of Southern Indiana</i></b>	<b>3:15 p.m.</b>
2/5	<i>Quincy University</i>	7:30 p.m.
2/7	<i>Southern Illinois University -Edwardsville</i>	3:15 p.m.
<b>2/12</b>	<b><i>University of Wisconsin-Parkside</i></b>	<b>7:45 p.m.</b>
<b>2/19</b>	<b><i>Northern Kentucky University</i></b>	<b>7:45 p.m.</b>
<b>2/21</b>	<b><i>Bellarmino University</i></b>	<b>3:15 p.m.</b>
2/26	<i>University of Southern Indiana</i>	7:30 p.m.
2/28	<i>University of Missouri-St. Louis</i>	3:15 p.m.

Great Lakes Valley Conference game  
\*Amerihost Tournament - Ashland, Ohio  
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### 2003-04 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
<b>11/15</b>	<b>Calumet College of St. Joseph</b>	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>
11/21	Gannon University	7:30 p.m.
11/22	Ashland University	3:00 p.m.
<b>11/29</b>	<b><i>Southern Illinois University -Edwardsville</i></b>	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>
<b>12/1</b>	<b><i>Lewis University</i></b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
<b>12/6</b>	<b><i>University of Indianapolis</i></b>	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>
<b>12/9</b>	<b>Huntington College</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
<b>12/12</b>	<b>Marian College</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
12/29	University of Findlay	6:00 p.m.
12/30	Mercyhurst College	2:00 p.m.
1/2	<i>Bellarmino University</i>	5:30 p.m.
1/4	<i>Kentucky Wesleyan College</i>	1:00 p.m.
<b>1/8</b>	<b><i>University of Missouri-St. Louis</i></b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
<b>1/10</b>	<b><i>Quincy University</i></b>	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>
1/15	<i>Lewis University</i>	5:30 p.m.
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## SJC Softball Team Posts Fourth-Highest G.P.A. Among Division II Athletic Teams

The SJC softball team was recently honored with a spot on the National Fastpitch Coaches Association's NCAA Division II Academic Top 10. The team's collective grade point average for the 2002-2003 academic year was 3.527, strong enough to rank them in fourth place among Division II teams and fifth among all divisions of the NCAA. The Pumas were the only Great Lakes Valley Conference team represented in Division II's Top 10.

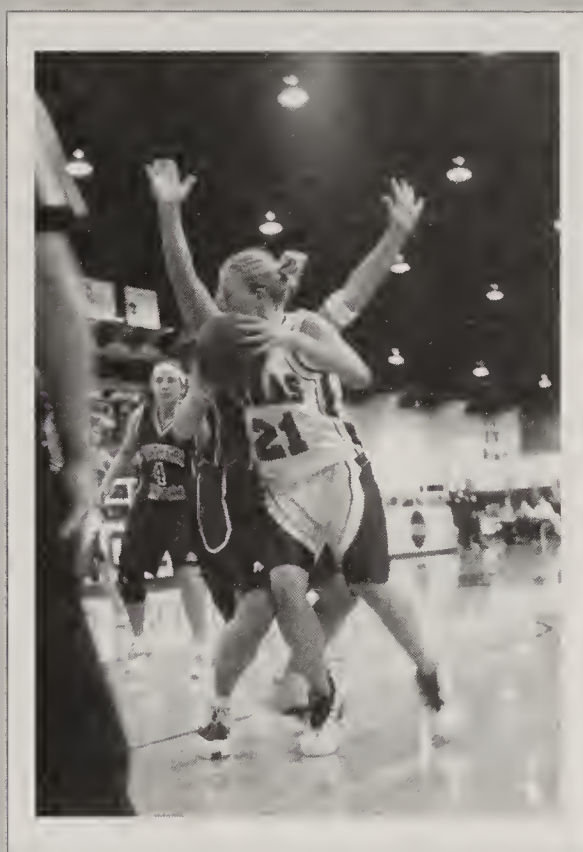
President Ernest Mills III commented, "I am pleased to see our Pumas on the softball team continuing to play the roles of both 'scholar' and 'athlete.' It's been a fine tradition at SJC to see athletes of this caliber, and an ideal that SJC has strived to meet for over a century."

## Men's Basketball Preview

Optimism abounds in the SJC men's basketball offices as practices began on October 15th. Second-year head coach Linc Darner has combined a superb recruiting class of nine quality players with the core of last year's team in the hopes of improving upon last season, which ended with an 11-17 record and an appearance in the Great Lakes Valley Conference tournament quarterfinals.

Leading the returnees are Corey Seegers, who earned second-team All-GLVC honors after leading the Pumas in points (18.5) and rebounds (7.4) per game last season, and Jamie Holden, who led the conference in assists and steals and set school records for single-game assists and steals, single-season assists and career steals. He also tied the SJC career mark for assists.

The season opener for the Pumas took place November 15th at Drury University. The home opener was November 17th against Lake Superior State University.



Heather Allen '04 in action

## Women's Basketball Preview

Now in his second year as head coach of SJC women's basketball team, John Raff expects to see marked improvement from this year's squad. The Pumas returned four of their top five scorers from last year's team and added six freshmen to the fold as they attempt to improve upon last season's 11-17 finish.

Leading the way for SJC is senior Heather Allen, an honorable mention All-Great Lakes Valley Conference pick last year. She has been the Pumas' leading scorer and rebounder for the past three years, averaging 15.5 points and 7.1 rebounds per game last season. She is currently ninth in school history in career scoring and 11th in career rebounding. Also back this season are double-figure scorers Courtney Rosenbaum (12.3 ppg) and Michelle Wegner (10.2 ppg), as well as Erin Sampsel, who led the Pumas in assists, steals, and blocked shots last season.

SJC opened the season at home on November 15th against Calumet College of St. Joseph.





## Where Is He Now?

**Bob Brown**

When Bob Brown talks about Saint Joseph's College, he sounds like an alumnus. He shares experiences about talking with former Bears quarterback Billy Wade during the days when the team practiced on SJC's campus, seeing President Dwight Eisenhower at the Halleck Student Center dedication ceremony, visiting with C.P.P.S. priests and brothers, and eating with students in the cafeteria. However, Brown's experiences stemmed not from his time as a student but as Branch Superintendent for the United States Postal Service branch located on campus grounds, where he worked for 17 years with his late wife, Charlotte. "Working on campus was a great experience," he said. "We enjoyed our time immensely."

But Brown's relationship with SJC didn't end at the Post Office. In 1959, after just one year in his position, he was recognized by then SJC Alumni Director Rudy Volz as an honorary alumnus. He and then Athletic Director **Dick Scharf '38** would drive members of the baseball and basketball teams to away games in Brown's station wagon. Brown and his wife also opened their home to students when enrollment numbers increased after the Vietnam War, renting their upstairs apartment to those who couldn't live on campus.

These days, Brown spends his time working for his son and daughter-in-law's business, Brown's Garden and Floral Shoppe in Rensselaer. In 1973, he became a Fellow of the College, and Charlotte followed suit in 1979. Three of his five sons are also Fellows, and one of them, **Bob Brown, Jr. '73**, is even an alumnus. Brown attends the College's 6:30 a.m. weekly Sunday Mass and makes it a point to attend Homecoming Weekend every year. "Sometimes I see students I used to know and I'll say, 'Hey, you were box number so-and-so,' and they'll say, 'Wow, I can't believe you remember that.' But I do."

*Where Are They Now? notes the current activities of favorite faculty, staff, and friends of the College of years past. Before They Were Pumas profiles SJC graduates, providing glimpses into their pasts and updates on what they are doing today. If you would like to recommend that someone be featured in either piece, please contact Publications and Media Relations Director **Breain Ma'Ayteh '02** at 219-866-6177 or [breain@saintjoe.edu](mailto:breain@saintjoe.edu).*

## Before They Were Pumas



**Before**



**Today**

**Name:**

**Donna (Zimmerman) Moran '73**

**A unique or funny story about you around the time the photo was taken:**

Being the active child that I was, this is one of the few times I ever stood still long enough for a picture to be taken of me. My brother, Tim, and I are posing in front of my favorite apple blossom tree. Each year, I waited for the buds to bloom and couldn't wait to see and smell the fragrant pink and white flowers that sprouted in abundance during late spring.

**High school, city, state:**

Richmond High School  
Richmond, Indiana

**Degree:**

Elementary Education

**What you're doing now:**

After SJC, I began my teaching career at Precious Blood School in Dayton, Ohio. After I was married, my family and I moved to Michigan, where I focused my efforts on being a wife, mother, and owner of my own business, Birthday Cake Express. Another move, this time to Indianapolis, followed, and that is where my family and I reside. I'm currently teaching third grade at St. Luke Catholic School, and my son, Chris, is a sophomore at SJC. He recently had a lead role in the College's fall play, *Fools*.



## SJC Professor Conducts Dissertation Research in Wales

Jody Taylor-Watkins, Reference/Assistant Librarian and Assistant Professor at Saint Joseph's College, returned in August from a seven-and-a-half month stay in Cwm (pronounced Coom), Wales. A doctoral candidate for a degree in cultural anthropology at Purdue University, Taylor-Watkins visited Wales in order to conduct a participant observation study for her dissertation, which focuses on the characteristics that make up Welsh identity and how the Welsh language contributes to that identity.

Her interests in nationalism and national identity were sparked through formal anthropological studies and independent reading, but the idea of focusing specifically on Welsh culture resulted from visiting the country with her husband, SJC Associate Professor of Political Science Peter Watkins. "Wales is divided by language. Only 20 percent of the population actually speaks Welsh, and most native-born citizens don't speak it," Taylor-Watkins said. "Peter grew up in Wales,

and his family members have strong feelings about their Welsh identity despite not having the most unique cultural marker of 'Welshness' – the Welsh language. My original goal was to learn about the characteristics other than language that make up the Welsh identity."

However, through her attendance at a number of public events including concerts, church services, public hearings, and Welsh language classes, as well as formal interviews with people from many walks of life ranging from sports to politics, she found her dissertation assuming a new shape. "I found that the language had more of an impact than I had previously thought it would," she said. "Greater receptivity toward the language in [the southeast area], combined with some potential political changes on the horizon in Wales, have given me new insight into Welsh culture. That makes my dissertation work more challenging, but also more exciting."

John Egan, Professor of Music, was presented in August with the Sagamore of the Wabash Award, the highest award bestowed by the governor of Indiana. The award is a personal tribute given to those who have rendered distinguished service to the state of Indiana.

John Nichols, National Endowment for Humanities Distinguished Teaching Professor at SJC, has a 77-page monograph published on the

Web site of the Association of American Colleges and Universities. Entitled "Quality of the Degree: An Alliance Between Faculty and Accreditors," the source of the publication is the work of a national project group that Nichols directed in his role as a Senior Fellow at AACU from 2001-2003. A print version of the electronic publication will follow later this year. To view the article, log on to:

<http://www.aacu.org/gex/paa/index.cfm>.



# Class Notes

**Dominic "Dom" Kastre '41** is now a great-grandfather to first great grandson Oliver Hartman.

**Robert "Bob" Roth '46** (SJC Academy) was awarded the 2003 Professionalism Award by the Kansas Bar Association at a luncheon held on June 9, 2003. This award recognizes an individual who has practiced law for 10 years or more and who best exemplifies, represents, and encourages other lawyers to follow the highest standards of the legal profession by his conduct, honesty, integrity, and courtesy.

**Rudy Kapitan '51** introduced his second book, *Seasons of My Life*, at the Pierogi Fest in Whiting, IN, in July 2003. Rudy's new stories pick up from his first book, *Seasons of My Childhood*.

**Norbert D. Hummel, Jr. '52** and his wife, Jane, have eight children, all of whom are college graduates. Hummel is currently a high school coach and teacher at Seneca High School in Louisville, KY.

**William Gleason '58** graduated from the University of San Francisco but spent a few wonderful years at Saint Joseph's College. He lived in a house at the far end of campus with four or five other GIs.

**George W. Lingen, Jr., D.D.S. '59** was recently named Speaker of the House of the Illinois State Dental Society (ISDS), a professional association of over 6,300 members. He was installed into office at the ISDS annual session which took place in October 2003 in Oak Brook, IL.

**Donald Gimbel '62** recently retired as a Staff Attorney with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and began a new stage in life. For the next year, he will be in the Jesuit Lay Volunteer Corps, working as a Chicago Legal Aid.

**Jerome Meservey, M.D. '63** recently celebrated 31 years of

pediatric practice and the birth of his first grandchild, Katie.

**Pierce McCabe '64** retired after 37 years in education, spending the last 17 of those years as a Principal. He serves now as a Principal Mentor for the Illinois Principal Association and works with new teachers from Spain, which require him to occasionally travel there. He serves on the Advisory Council for Professional Development for Dominican University. He resides in Hinsdale, IL, with his wife, Vera, and two children, Ryan (16) and Maggie (11).

**John "Jack" Varso '65** retired after 33 years of teaching high school English and coaching high school and junior high school wrestling at Whitehall Schools. He has been blessed with a beautiful wife, Bonnie, a 36-year-long marriage, four wonderful children, and one sweet four-year-old granddaughter. He is enjoying retirement immensely.

**Paul Austin '70** enjoyed Homecoming 2003, as it was his first time visiting SJC's campus since 1975.

**John Molinaro '71** retired from 30 years at Cook County Juvenile Probation Department and is currently Chairman of the Lake Ripley Management District in the town of Cambridge, WI.

**Bruce Brychek '72** is a Director for Executive Security Specialists, Inc.

**John Carroll '73** was promoted to Vice President of Human Resources for Herley Industries, Inc. in Lancaster, PA.

**Jim Traub '75** is President of Priority One Mortgage, Inc., Second Chair Cellist with a local volunteer orchestra, and married with three boys.

**Rick Mancebo '79** is happy to announce that his daughter, Jennifer, is in a Pre-Law Program at Florida State University; son, Ryan, is a freshman at Florida Atlantic University; and youngest son, Jonathan, is starting his first

year of high school. He would love to hear from old friends from East Seifert.

**Dr. Roger Robins '80** was recently appointed to Assistant Professor of History/Political Science at Marymount College. Robins will teach survey classes in American history and government. He looks forward to incorporating other fields such as economics, sociology, and art history into his coursework and developing curricula focusing on American, religious, ethnic, and cultural histories.

**Jannine Gamache '80** was promoted to Manager of the Lake Mary Branch Office of Realty Executives Orlando in July 2003. She uses her Music degree by providing voice-overs for primarily Spanish commercials, audio-visual materials, and language-learning CDs and videos and recording songs for language-learning programs for a variety of publishers. She still sings at weddings and private parties on occasion and believes the education she received at SJC opened many doors for her.

**Thomas Neuffer '81** has been promoted to Vice President of Commercial Lending at Centier Bank, located in Merrillville, IN. He resides in Hebron, IN, with his wife, Cathy, and their son, Brian.

**Michael R. McInerney '83** made it into the *Guinness Book of World Records* in July 2002 by participating in the "World's Longest Softball Game." It lasted for 25.5 hours, breaking the former record by a half-hour. It was played at the Sharpe Softball Complex in Highland, IN. It will be published in the 2004 *Guinness Book of World Records*. The game raised approximately \$500 for The American Cancer Society.

**Joy (Horvat) Volpi, Ph.D. '87** received her doctorate in Geography with a specialization in Environment and Water Resources from Kent State University on August 16, 2003.

**Brian Ames '91** completed his master's degree in Business

Administration at DePaul University's Kellstadt Graduate School of Business in August 2003 and celebrated 10 years at LaSalle Bank/ABN AMRO in October 2003. He was recently promoted to First Vice President in the Asset Backed Securities Department. He and his wife, **Ginée (Wozniak) Ames '99**, celebrated their one-year wedding anniversary on October 19, 2003. Ginée is currently the Special Events and Volunteer Manager for Deborah's Place, a not-for-profit corporation serving women in Chicago.

**Michele (Santos) Jurgens '93** has been promoted to Dean of Students at Bremen High School in Midlothian, IL.

**Brian Corrigan '95** recently received his master's degree in School and Guidance Counseling from Lewis University. He completed three years as Senior Guidance Counselor and Head Track Coach for Providence Catholic in New Lenox, IL, and is moving to Arizona with his wife, Courtney.

**Chad Pulver '97** moved to Lawrence, KS, to complete a doctoral internship for the University of Kansas's Counseling and Psychological Services after successfully defending his dissertation on April 25, 2003.

**Rachel (Mahns) Pulver '97**, completed her master's degree in Physical Therapy from the University of Indianapolis in December 2002 and passed the Kansas State University Licensure Exam. She is currently employed by Therapyworks in Lawrence, KS.

**Karey (Klott) Engels '97** lives in Kalamazoo, MI, and has been teaching in Mattawan for the last six years. She earned her master's degree in Education from Marygrove College in February 2003, and she and her husband, Nate, have recently completed their second summer as the Directors of Camp Wakeshma



in Three Rivers, a resident camp for children between the ages of eight and 15. They are expecting their first child in December 2003.

**Matthew Owens '98**, wife **DeAnn (Hazzard) Owens '98**, and their newborn son, Aidan David, this past summer relocated to Indianapolis because he accepted the Director of Theatre position at the International School of Indiana.

**Jim Williams '98** has opened a law firm which services Chicago and surrounding suburbs and holds offices in Chicago and Orland Park. He is a General Practitioner, accepting work in areas such as corporate litigation, personal injury, real estate, sports and entertainment, wills, trusts, estates, and divorce.

**Andrea Dick '99** graduated from Indiana University-Bloomington School of Law in May 2003 and took the Indiana Bar Exam at the end of July. She works as an Associate Attorney for the law firm of Beckman Lawson, L.L.P. in Fort Wayne, IN, in the Litigation Group.

**Jeanette (Jaskula) Nichols '99** received her master's degree in Environmental Science and Policy from the University of Wisconsin.

**Brandon Yates '01** is playing in a semi-professional basketball league in the Louisville, KY area called the United Pro Basketball League (UPBL).

## ENGAGEMENTS

**David Rettker '96** to Kim Deal. A March 2004 wedding is planned.

**Sarah Grubb '00** to Steven Sturm. A June 12, 2004 wedding is planned. **Michelle Grubb '03** will be maid of honor and **Chrissy Scafide '00** will be a bridesmaid.

**Donald Shanahan '01** to **Emily Glende '03**. A summer 2005 wedding is planned.

**Michelle Mori '01** to **Michael Gomez '01**. A fall 2004 wedding is planned.

**Brigid Doak '02** to **Jason Funk '03**.

**Sarah Morningstar '03** to Jonathan Nern. A June 26, 2004 wedding is planned.

## MARRIAGES

**Jennifer Marie Seberger '95** to Robert Charles Kayner, 10/2/02.

**Kevin Connor '95** to Vanessa Blaida, 7/20/02.

**Joe Zgonina '95** to Julie Kurtz, 8/2/03. Groomsmen included **Brent Eastwood '95**, **Phil Avery '96**, and **Joshua Northup '98**; ushers included **Mark Slate '96**, **Scott Satterthwaite '95**, and **Eric Nisbeth '98**; Other Pumas in attendance included **Denise (Hutchinson) Avery '97**, **Jessica Henry '95**, and **Todd Tyler '98**. The couple honeymooned in Aruba.

**Bradley Cook '99** to Brandy Stone, 8/2/03.

**Susan Welter '00** to Chris Close, 7/5/03. The wedding took place at the Saint Joseph's Chapel. **Sara (Reasoner) Solis '00** was the soloist and **Cheryl Kelley '97** served the couple as wedding coordinator.

**Cory Walters '00** to **Holly Ann Stefaniak '00**, 8/30/03.

**Shanna Arnold '01** to Jason Hand, 11/30/02.

**Nicole Kappler '01** to Kerry Mathew, 4/26/03.

**Renee Simon '02** to Timothy Ricke, 3/1/03.

## BIRTHS

Nina Grace Bollman to Joey and **Loren "Lori" (Wittenkeller) Bollman '88**, 6/12/03. She was welcomed home by her two big brothers, Matthew (4) and Kyle (1).

Twins Haley Marie and Brooke Rose Feltenberger to Tim and **Marie (Adams) Feltenberger '88**, 6/27/03.

Nicholas Charles Greiber to Robert and **Nina (Kasch) Greiber '88**, 4/28/03.

Triplets Garrett Andrew, Eli Germain, and Cy Anthony Sammons to **James '89** and **April Sammons**, 7/18/03. The boys join their big brother, Hume (3 1/2).

Carolyn Rose Steigmyer to **Clement "C.J." '91** and **Jennifer Steigmeyer**, 5/7/03. She joins big brother Joseph Paul (5).

John Dominic Petro to Robert and **Cris (Cowan) Petro '91**, 7/9/03. He joins siblings Natalie Rose (6) and Paul (3).

Margaret Mary "Maggie" Sajewski to Tim and **Karen (Odum) Sajewski '91**, 8/15/03. She joins big brother Luke (4).

James Dominic Quinn to **John '91** and **Kathy (Hicks) Quinn '93**, 7/27/03. He joins big brother Bobby and big sister Angela.

Hannah Evelyn Osharow to Ian and **Heather (Davia) Osharow '92**, 6/19/03.

Paul Christopher Dilly to Bob and **Maureen "Mo" (Goeddeke) Dilly '93**, 8/1/03.

Lauren Maria Harvey to Doug and **DeAnn (Kueper) Harvey '93**, 6/30/03.

Ella Grace Shewmaker to Chris and **Julie (Obermeyer) Shewmaker '93**, 9/5/03. She joins big brothers Jacob and Ethan.

Korbin Lee Lawson to Derek and **Angela (Bossung) Lawson '94**, 5/5/03. He joins big brother Kale (3).

Evan Michael Rouse to Steven and **Amy (Skaggs) Rouse '95**, 2/22/03. He joins big brother Connor (4).

Amzie Grace Maienbrook to **Scott '95** and **Terra (Schafer) Maienbrook '97**, 8/6/03.

Trace Carter Stookey to Jackson and **Mindy (Metzger) Stookey '96**, 6/17/03.

Emma Ashlee Grace Fleshman to Mark and **Stephanie (Sutherlin) Fleshman '96**, 8/27/03. She joins big sister Madeline (3).

Aidan David Owens to **Matthew '98** and **DeAnn (Hazzard) Owens '98**, 7/5/03.

Madison Grace Stasch to **Matthew '98** and **Elizabeth (Schisler) Stasch '99**, 7/14/03.

## DEATHS

**Albert P. Goeb '22** (SJC Academy), 3/27/03.

**Reverend Fred J. Cardinali '32**, 5/17/03.

**Joseph B. Westhoven, M.D. '38**, 8/5/03.

**Robert F. McDevitt '42**, 7/13/03.

**Rev. James Grothjan, C.P.P.S. '47**, 8/31/03.

**Charles L. Voors '49**, 6/30/03.

**Rev. John Klopke, C.P.P.S. '49**, 8/26/03.

**Richard P. Finnegan '55**, 5/19/03.

**William P. Yanan '56**, father of **Therese Yanan '87**, 7/28/03.

**Thomas M. Mario '58**, 7/6/03.

**Mary (Monnier) Fisher '61**, 8/18/03.

**William A. Holland '61**, 9/5/03.

**Sr. M. Celeste Larson, C.S.J. '64**, 8/2003.

**Edward "Ronald" Michaels '65**, 4/11/02.

**George F. Wiegand, Sr. '65**, 3/29/03.

**Sr. Gertrude Spetter, O.L.V.M. '82**, date unknown.

**Tod A. Spears '84**, brother of **Christopher Spears '80**, 8/17/03.

**Karen Ann (Sherkey) Winter '86**, daughter of the late **Paul Sherkey '86** and sister of **Molly (Sherkey) Dec '84** and **Mike Sherkey '88**, 7/8/03.

**Marilyn Gatto, Fellow**, 7/10/03.

**Neal John Clark (16)**, son of **Anthony '84** and **Beverly Clark**, nephew of **Patrick Clark '77** and **Sarah "Sally" Clark '86**, 7/10/03.

## Omission:

In the 2002-2003 Honor Roll of Donors in *Contact's* fall issue, **Donald J. Tonner '42** should have been recognized as a 10-year consecutive donor. The *Contact* staff apologizes for the error.



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